

**HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION
MINUTES OF MEETING
SEPTEMBER 3, 2014**

Town of Bedford
Bedford Town Hall
Selectmen's Meeting Room

PRESENT: William Moonan, Chair; Karen Kalil-Brown, Clerk; Carol Carlson; Alan Long; Lorrie Dunham

ABSENT: Christopher Weisz

BUSINESS MEETING:

Suzanne Koller, a real estate agent and resident at 245 Davis Road, greeted the Commission and stated that she was present tonight for an informal business session to discuss the possible demolition of 10-12 Maple Street. David Goldbaum, a house preservationist and potential buyer, introduced himself and said that, although his business was preserving houses, there was very little of this house to preserve, and he therefore proposed its demolition.

Mr. Goldbaum said that the house had been added on to several times, quite shoddily in many cases, and there was very little of any historic value left in the house. He noted that the siding were all vinyl, the windows were not historic, and much of the wood had rotted.

Ms. Dunham noted that this building was the original Bedford schoolhouse in the 1700s. Ms. Koller said she was aware of that, but hardly any of the original schoolhouse remains.

Mr. Goldbaum stated that his business and his passion was preserving historic homes so that they will not be demolished and history can be protected, and he would never propose demolishing a structure such as this unless it truly had nothing left to save.

Ms. Carlson said she would like to walk through the inside of the house in order to have a more educated opinion about it. Ms. Koller said that was an excellent idea and she would like to have the Commission do a tour of the house. There was discussion about times and dates that the members could walk through, and it was decided that the HDC assistant would work with the Commission and with Ms. Koller to work out a date for the walkthrough.

Mr. Moonan called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

MOTION:

Ms. Kalil-Brown moved to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Carlson seconded the motion.

Voting in favor: Moonan, Kalil-Brown, Carlson, Long, and Dunham

Voting against: None

Abstained: None

The motion carried unanimously, 5-0-0.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

William Moonan, Chairman

Date

Respectfully Submitted,

Scott Gould
HDC Assistant